Air Stations in Gujarat

995. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of AIR stations in Gujarat as on date;

(b) what is the number of projects that have been pending for completion by All India Radio in Gujarat as on date and what are the New AIR stations to be set up in that State;

(c) what is the latest position of the on going transmission and High Power AIR stations in that State including; Multi-Track recording facility stereo transmitter at Ahmedabad and Rajkot;

(d) by when those are expected to be completed; and

(e) if no action has been taken, the reasons therfor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) At present seven All India Radio stations are functioning in Gujarat.

(b) Three All India Radio schemes are under implementation in the State of Gujarat. There is no scheme at present for setting up of a New All India Radio station in the State of Gujarat.

(c) to (e) All India Radio stations at Ahmedabad and Rajkot have already been provided with High Power Transmitters of 200 & 300 KW MW capacity respectively. One Super Power 1000 KW MW Transmitter is also located at Rajkot for External Services. At present, no scheme is there for setting up of fulti-Track recording studios & stereo transmitters at All India Radio, Ahmedabad or Rajkot.

Entry of foreign Media

996. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any opinion poll has been carried out to determine the issue of permitting the entry of foreign media;

(b) if so, the result thereof; and

(c) the decision if any taken in light thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROACASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Production of tele-film/serial on Saheed Sardar Bhagat Singh

997. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal regarding production of a tele-film/serial on Saheed Sardar Bhagat Singh, a legendry young freedom fighter of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof: and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Door darshan has not received any proposal for the production of a telefilm/serial on Saheed Sardar Bhagat Singh.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The proposal to this effect will be considered on merits as and when received.